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GENEVA PLEASE PASS TO US LOS DEL

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SUBJECT: LOS: PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND
AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON'S PRESS CONFERENCE ON LOS

REF: A) GENEVA 4399; B) STATE 70035

1. EMBASSY DISCUSSED US LOS DEL'S INTENTION TO IMPROVE
PROVISIONS OF ALL RELEVANT PARTS OF LOS TEXT AS THEY BEAR
UPON PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND MARINE LIFE
WITH EDWARD GLOVER IN FCO AND DENNIS ATIEN IN DEPARTMENT
OF TRADE, BOTH OF WHOM WILL BE COMING TO GENEVA TO JOIN
UK LOS DEL TO DEAL WITH MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION
MATTERS. GLOVER WAS NON-COMMITTAL AND EXPECTED THAT
DARWIN OR ARCULUS IN GENEVA WOULD BE CONVEYING UK RE-
ACTIONS TO ANY US INITIATIVE. ATIEN HOPED THAT ANY
U.S. INITIATIVES WOULD NOT BRING THE US AND THE UK INTO
CONFLICT SINCE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION WAS AN AREA
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WHERE WE HAD HAD SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT VIEWS IN THE
PAST.

2. EMBASSY HAS LIMITED ITS INITIAL CONTACTS TO WORKING
LEVEL LOS OFFICIALS. EMBASSY IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF
OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED BY STRONG INTEREST IN AMOCO
CADIZ OIL SPILL TO STRESS NEED TO RE-EXAMINE IMCO AND LOS

WORK TO SEE WHERE CHANGES MAY BE NEEDED TO PROTECT THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND THE STRONG U.S. CONGRESSIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTALIST INTEREST IN EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS. EMBASSY IS READY TO MAKE MORE SUBSTANTIVE APPROACHES TO APPROPRIATELY PLACED OFFICIALS WHEN U.S. HAS DETERMINED THE PRECISE NATURE OF CHANGES IN THE LOS TEXTS WHICH IT WISHES TO PROPOSE.

3. WITH REGARD TO REFTEL B, ALLAN RAMSAY OF FCO INFORMED EMBASSY THAT UK EXAMINATION OF AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON'S LOS PRESS CONFERENCE HAPPILY CONFIRMED THEIR IMPRESSION THAT UK AND US HAD VERY SIMILAR VIEWS ON WHAT WOULD BE A DESIRABLE OUTCOME FOR THE CONFERENCE.

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